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SUBJECT: W/W: FOURTH CONSULAR VISIT TO FRANCIS  
JAY CRAWFORD

REFS: (A) MOSCOW 14043, (B) MOSCOW 14036 AND  
PREVIOUS, (C) STATE 150126

1. CONSULAR COUNSELOR WAS GRANTED FOURTH CONSULAR  
VISIT TO CRAWFORD JUNE 20 AND HIS FIANCEE, MISS  
VIRGINIA OLBRISH, WAS GIVEN PERMISSION FOR FIRST  
VISIT TO HIM. WHILE WAITING FOR CRAWFORD TO  
BE ESCORTED TO INTERVIEW ROOM, COL. VOLODIN  
TOLD VISITORS THAT CRAWFORD'S HOTEL ROOM, HERETO-  
FORE SEALED IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION,  
COULD NOW BE ENTERED AND ITEMS NOT CONNECTED  
WITH CASE COULD BE REMOVED. COL. VOLODIN ALSO  
TOLD COUNSELOR AND MISS OLBRISH THAT CRAWFORD  
IS PERMITTED TO CONSUME MEDICAMENTS DURING  
INTERROGATION PERIODS, BUT COULD NOT KEEP THEM  
FOR USE AT OTHER TIMES.

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2. CONCERNING MAJOR BELYAYEV'S INTERROGATION,  
CRAWFORD REPORTED THAT FOCUS IS STILL ON HIS  
CONTACTS WITH VOLODYA AND LUSYA, WITH CRAWFORD  
CONTINUING TO INSIST THAT HE HAS NEVER PURCHASED  
RUBLES FROM THAT COUPLE OR ANY OTHER SOVIET  
CITIZENS FOR DOLLARS (ALTHOUGH HE DID REPORT

ACCEPTING 600 RUBLES FROM AMERICANS WHO WORKED FOR INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER IN SURGUT (SIBERIA). THE AMERICANS WERE LEAVING THE COUNTRY AND COULD NOT TAKE RUBLES WITH THEM, SO THAT CRAWFORD ACCEPTED RUBLES AND THE AMERICANS WERE REIMBURSED IN DOLLARS BY THE COMPANY AFTER ARRIVAL IN U.S. CRAWFORD ALSO MENTIONED IN PASSING THAT HE RECENTLY HAD BORROWED 500 RUBLES FROM SECRETARY IN EMBASSY'S COMMERCIAL OFFICE TO MEET URGENT PAYROLL REQUIREMENT.

3. CRAWFORD ALSO REPORTEDLY TOLD HIS INVESTIGATOR THAT HE HAS NEVER HAD ANY NEED FOR LARGE QUANTITIES OF RUBLES IN USSR SINCE ALL EXPENSES ARE PAID BY COMPANY IN HARD CURRENCY. CRAWFORD STATED HIS ONLY PERSONAL RUBLE EXPENDITURES HAVE BEEN FOR GAS AND INCIDENTALS. LARGEST RUBLE EXPENDITURES HE HAS MADE HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN FOR FOUR PHOTOS OF MAYA PLISETSKAYA AT 30 RUBLES EACH AND PAINTING FOR 150 RUBLES.

4. CRAWFORD ALSO REPORTED THAT MAJOR BELYAYEV HAS BEGUN PRESSING HIM TO "COOPERATE" WITH INVESTIGATION, REPORTEDLY INFORMING THAT SUCH "COOPERATION" WOULD INFLUENCE HIS SENTENCE.

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5. PER INSTRUCTION REFTTEL (C), CONSULAR COUNSELOR TELEPHONED DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF THE PRESIDUM OF THE MOSCOW MUNICIPAL COLLEGIUM OF ATTORNEYS ISAAK SKLYARSKIY MORNING OF JUNE 20 AND PASSED INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER'S REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY ON CRAWFORD'S BEHALF. SKLYARSKIY REPLIED THAT HE THOUGHT HE WOULD BE ABLE TO PROPOSE ATTORNEY BY END OF THIS WEEK. EMBASSY FOLLOWED UP ITS TELEPHONIC REQUEST WITH LETTER CONFIRMING ITS REQUEST, COPIES OF WHICH SENT TO DEPARTMENT AND INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER'S GENERAL COUNSEL, WILLIAM CRAWFORD. MATLOCK

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